

/MANSFIELD TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING

June 11, 2014

This is a regular meeting of the Mansfield Township Committee. The notice requirements of the law have been satisfied for this meeting by notice to the Star-Gazette and the Express Times of the time, date and location thereof. Notice was also posted on the announcement board located in the Municipal Building.

Roll Call: Mr. Misertino, Mr. Watters, Mr. Clancy, Mrs. Kocher, Mayor Tomaszewski

Salute to the flag was done by all.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

Mr. Clancy made a motion to approve the minutes from the regular meeting held on May 28, 2014, which was seconded by Mr. Watters.

Ayes: Mr. Misertino, Mr. Watters, Mr. Clancy, Mrs. Kocher, Mayor Tomaszewski

Nays: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

BILL LIST:

Mr. Watters made a motion to approve the bill list with addendum, which was seconded by Mr. Clancy.

Ayes: Mr. Misertino, Mr. Watters, Mr. Clancy, Mrs. Kocher, Mayor Tomaszewski

Nays: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

CFO REPORT:

Mr. Pandos explained the bill from APS for the replacement of the panel and that the estimate was for 4-6 hours and it ended up taking 16 hours they are only looking to be paid for 8 hours.

Mr. Watters made a motion to pay the eight hours to APS, which was seconded by Mayor Tomaszewski.

Ayes: Mr. Misertino, Mr. Watters, Mr. Clancy, Mrs. Kocher, Mayor Tomaszewski

Nays: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

Mr. Pandos stated that there were a couple of issues from the Department Head meetings formal policy for Office Closing and hiring for positions from within, but that he felt that the Department Heads could work this out.

CLERKS REPORT:

Mrs. Hrebenak stated that the Fire Inspection was done and there were a number of items that needed to be repaired and we have worked through that list.

ENGINEERS REPORT:

Mr. DiSessa stated that along the lines of the Fire Inspection the generator needed to be tested and that was done Friday and went well.

Mr. DiSessa stated that the contractor for the Diamond Hill Project is working through the punch list of items that need to be completed for the job.

RESOLUTION:

RESOLUTION # 2014 –77
REFUND OF PLANNING BOARD ESCROW BALANCE
TOWNSHIP OF MANSFIELD
WARREN COUNTY, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

WHEREAS, Wade Ray & Associates Construction Inc. issued a check for Planning Board escrow with the Township of Mansfield, County of Warren,

WHEREAS, there remains a balance of \$ 35.00 in the escrow account,

WHEREAS, the Planning Board Attorney and Engineer have determined that the project is complete,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Finance Office be authorized to refund the amount of \$ 35.00 to Wade Ray & Associates Construction Inc.

Mr. Watters made a motion to approve the passage of Resolution 2014-77, which was seconded by Mr. Misertino.

Ayes: Mr. Misertino, Mr. Watters, Mr. Clancy, Mrs. Kocher, Mayor Tomaszewski

Nays: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

Mr. Misertino made a motion to approve the Executive Session minutes from 1/22, 2/12, 2/26, 3/12, 4/9, 5/14, 5/28, which was seconded by Mr. Watters.

Ayes: Mr. Misertino, Mr. Watters, Mr. Clancy, Mrs. Kocher, Mayor Tomaszewski

Nays: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

PUBLIC PORTION: (3 minute limit per person)

Mr. Smith asked what is happening with the millings that are behind the old DPW garage.

Mr. DiSessa stated that we are storing them now and will be using them in the future.

Mr. Smith stated that there are a number of DEP regulations that the Township will need to follow so as not to get violations.

Mr. Smith asked that the Township Committee have Mayor Tomaszewski step down as far as DPW Liaison.

Mr. Clancy made a motion to have Mayor Tomaszewski removed as Liaison to the Department of Public Works, which was seconded by Mrs. Kocher.

Ayes: Mr. Clancy, Mrs. Kocher

Nays: Mr. Misertino, Mr. Watters, Mayor Tomaszewski

Absent: None

Abstain: None

Karen Thomas, spoke to the Township Committee in support of purchasing the Mount Bethel Church.

Pete Appleby, asked what the concerns in not hiring him for part time snow plow work.

Mr. Lavery stated that the Committee should not comment on this.

Mr. Appleby asked how it is that Mayor Tomaszewski could vote on his removal.

Marvin Kocher asked if it was an issue that there were three people sitting together while the votes were being tallied on Election night.

Mr. Lavery stated that there is an exemption in the Open public meetings act that for meetings like that.

Mr. Kocher asked if there is a treasurer's report for the Recreation Committee yet.

Mr. Misertino stated that the Recreation Committee has been working on items and he envisioned that a report would be done at the end of the year and that he would see if he could get something in the works.

Scott Minter, Mount Bethel Road, asked that Mayor Tomaszewski resign from the committee.

Mr. Minter asked about the Executive Session minutes.

Mrs. Griggs asked about the meeting minutes for May 14, 2014 and why they are not on the website.

Ms. Hrebenak stated that she would check the link for them.

Mrs. Griggs asked about the codification and when we would have this completed.

Connie Adasavage asked about the Open Space Committee meetings and if they are being held. She was in contact with Ruth Pante and that there has only been one meeting held for this year. Mrs. Adasavage stated that for a group that is doing a lot of work and she is unsure how this can be done without having any meetings. Mrs. Adasavage asked that someone please come to the next Committee meeting to explain what is going to be done at the church.

JoAnn Fascenelli read a the following statement,

"Saturday, June 7th, the Green Team held a successful rain barrel workshop. The intent of the event was to bring more awareness to nonpoint source pollution and illustrate how the use of rain barrels is an

effective means of reducing it. Matt Barr presented the education portion of the workshop; he is an AmeriCorps NJ Watershed Ambassador for the Musconetcong Watershed Association in Asbury. Liz Jackson of the NJ Division of Fish and Wildlife provided additional education on the importance of backyard wildlife and a tour of native plants of NJ. The constructing portion of the workshop was a group effort from the Green Team led by Don Proefrock. The workshop was held in the Pequest Fish Hatchery. Several rain barrels were built and are now out at people's properties for installation. We will have a rain barrel on display at the Municipal Building and at the Community Day this month to build awareness and encourage registration for the next upcoming event. Our next Rain Barrel Workshop is scheduled for Sunday, September 21st."

COMMITTEE PERSON COMMENTS:

Mr. Watters stated that he would like to move forward with the cameras for the court.

Mr. Misertino stated that being up on the dais he speaks for the Township people. He spoke to people that were here left because they felt that the environment was hostile. Mr. Misertino stated that being up on the dais he feel that people that come up to comment come up to the Township Committee with hostility. Mr. Misertino stated that he would like to make this a meeting place that is not hostile.

Mr. Watters made a motion to approve AB Code Security in the amount of 7,100, which was seconded Mayor Tomaszewski.

Ayes: Mr. Misertino, Mr. Watters, Mr. Clancy, Mrs. Kocher, Mayor Tomaszewski

Nays: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

Mr. Misertino asked what is budgeted for this.

Mr. Pandos stated that what is covered in the shared service agreement is about \$10,000.

Mayor Tomaszewski made a motion to adjourn at 8:16pm.